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SUBJECT: VISIT BY INTERNATIONAL SOLAR COMMERCIALIZATION
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1. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY (DOE) DIVISION OF SOLAR
APPLICATIONS HAS RECENTLY ESTABLISHED AN INTERNATIONAL
SOLAR COMMERCIALIZATION WORKING GROUP (ISCWG) TO DEFINE
THE MISSION AND SCOPE OF AN INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM FOR SOLAR
ENERGY COMMERCIALIZATION. MAJOR ACTIVITIES OF THE ISCWG
INCLUDE RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS; COORDINATION WITH OTHER DOE

OFFICES, FEDERAL AGENCIES AND KEY SOLAR INDUSTRIES; COMPREHENSIVE MARKET ANALYSIS; AND PREPARATION OF A RECOMMENDED PLAN OF ACTION.

2. TO ASSIST IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN INTERNATIONAL SOLAR COMMERCIALIZATION PLAN, VISITS TO SEVERAL REGIONS OF THE WORLD ARE PLANNED. ONE ISCWG TEAM, COMPOSED OF A DOE REPRESENTATIVE AND PERSONNEL FROM PLANNING RESEARCH CORPORATION (PRC) WILL VISIT SELECTED AFRICAN COUNTRIES TO GATHER PERTINENT DATA FOR ASSESSING THE MARKET POTENTIAL

FOR SOLAR ENERGY. THE TEAM PLANS TO INSPECT SOLAR ENERGY PROJECTS AND MEET WITH ENERGY EXPERTS, IN GOVERNMENT, INDUSTRY, AND UNIVERSITIES, AS WELL AS IN U.S. COMPANIES AND EMBASSIES, TO COLLECT INFORMATION ON POSSIBLE SOLAR ENERGY APPLICATIONS, ENERGY NEEDS, CURRENT STATE-OF-THE-ART OF SOLAR ENERGY TECHNOLOGY, RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PLANS AND CAPABILITIES, MARKET POTENTIAL, AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS.

3. TENTATIVE ITINERARY IS AS FOLLOWS:

JUNE 16 - ARRIVE CAIRO 1430 (TWA 800) - TO ATTEND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE.

JUNE 22 - LEAVE CAIRO

JUNE 23 - ARRIVE NAIROBI, KENYA, 0505 (EGYPT AIR 759)

JUNE 27 - LEAVE NAIROBI, 1500 - ARRIVE DOUALA, 1725

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(NIGERIA AIRWAYS 752)

JUNE 27 - LEAVE DOUALA, 2045 - ARRIVE YAOUNDE, CAMEROON 2230 (CAMEROON AIRLINES 728)

JUNE 30 - LEAVE YAOUNDE, 1140 - ARRIVE DOUALA 1215 (CAMEROON AIRLINES 701)

JUNE 30 - LEAVE DOUALA, 1400 - ARRIVE LAGOS, NIGERIA 1525 (CAMEROON 708)

JULY 4 - LEAVE LAGOS, 1930 - ARRIVE KANO, NIGERIA, 2050 (NIGERIA AIR 776)

JULY 6 - LEAVE KANO, 1420 - ARRIVE NIAMEY, NIGERIA 1530 (NIGERIA AIR 579)

JULY 8 - LEAVE NIAMEY, 1815 - ARRIVE ABIDJAN, IVORY COAST, 1855 (AIR AFRICA 37)

JULY 11 - LEAVE ABIDJAN, 1800 - ARRIVE DAKAR, SENEGAL 2040 (AIR AFRICA 103)

JULY 15 - LEAVE DAKAR, 0155 (PA 185).

4. PERSONNEL TRAVELING TO AFRICA ARE:

-MR. JOHN SLOOP - PRC

-DR. MAMADOU WATT - PRC

-MR REX DYER - PRC

-MR. NORMAN LUTKEFEDDER - DOE

5. EMBASSIES' ASSISTANCE OF WORKING GROUP'S VISIT ALONG FOLLOWING LINES WILL BE MUCH APPRECIATED:

A. EMBASSY ASSESSMENT, TO EXTENT INFORMATION IS READILY AVAILABLE, OF STATE-OF-THE-ART IN SOLAR MATTERS WITHIN COUNTRY (GOVERNMENT, PRIVATE, ACADEMIC, ETC.) REFERENCE TO PREVIOUS REPORTS, OR ANY OTHER INFORMATION POSTS WISH TO CALL TO GROUP'S ATTENTION WOULD BE MOST HELPFUL TO ISCWG BEFORE THE AFRICAN TEAM LEAVES WASHINGTON JUNE 15.

B. ADVICE CONCERNING BEST PROSPECTIVE CONTACTS, INCLUDING EMBASSY'S COMMENTS/EDITING OF LISTS ISCWG IS NOW WORKING FROM PARAGRAPH 7.

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C. ASSISTANCE IN MAKING APPOINTMENTS FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH SUCH EXPERTS AND IN ARRANGING VISITS TO SOLAR DEMONSTRATION SITES.

D. HOTEL RESERVATIONS (4 SINGLES) FOR PARTY LISTED PARA 3 ABOVE ARE BEING MADE BY VIP TRAVEL OF MCLEAN.

E. ANY OTHER ADVICE POSTS BELIEVE WILL HELP WORKING GROUP IN DEVELOPMENT OF AN INTERNATIONAL SOLAR COMMERCIALIZATION PLAN.

6. EMBASSIES SHOULD APPOINT AND INFORM DEPARTMENT IDENTITY OF CONTACT OFFICER FOR VISIT SOONEST. REMAINING INFORMATION REQUESTED PARA 5-A ABOVE SHOULD ARRIVE WASHINGTON BY JUNE 8 TO BE OF PRE-TRIP USE TO ISCWG.

7. PROPOSED CONTACTS FOLLOW:

NAIROBI: UN ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM; MINISTRIES OF AGRICULTURE, COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY; INDUSTRY AND PROMOTION CENTER.

YAOUNDE: MINISTRIES OF ENERGY AND MINES; INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE; SOCIETE HEVEA CAMEROON.

LAGOS: HARRY KAHILL, U.S. EMBASSY; MINISTRIES OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT, INDUSTRY, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; DR. S.O. ADENUBI AND V.A. AKINSETE, UNIVERSITY OF LAGOS; DR. V.A. WILLIAMS, UNIVERSITY OF IFE. KANO: STATE REPRESENTATIVE; DR. SADIG SANUSI, MANAGEMENT CONSULTING GROUP; DR. SOULEYMAN, UNIVERSITY OF ZARIA.

NIAMEY: MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT; DR. A. MOUMOUNI DIOFFO, OFFICE OF SOLAR ENERGY.

ABIDJAN: MINISTRIES OF ENERGY, AGRICULTURE COMPAGNIE IVOIRIENNE DU DETROLE.

DAKAR: MINISTRIES OF FINANCE, INDUSTRY, D.G.R.S.T., AND UNCLASSIFIED

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INSTITUT DEPHYSIQUE METEOROLOGIQUE.

MR. WATT SPEAKS FRENCH. IF NECESSARY MORE THAN ONE MEETING
CAN BE SCHEDULED AT THE SAME TIME.

8. FOR NIAMEY: REALIZE SOLAR TEAM VISIT FALLS UNDER
PERSONNEL EMBARGO. REF. NIAMEY 2152 AND REQUEST YOUR
EXPRESS CONCURRENCE. VANCE

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